

COUNTY OF LAKE

255 North Forbes Street Lakeport, CA 95453

Legislation Text

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Memorandum

Date: March 16, 2021

To: The Honorable Lake County Board of Supervisors

From: Bruno Sabatier, Chair and District 2 Supervisor

Subject: Approve Letter Supporting SB59

Executive Summary: (include fiscal and staffing impact narrative):

Senate Bill 59, introduced by Senator Caballero, is important the future of our cannabis cultivation industry. The state offers two license statuses. One is provisional, meaning CEQA has not been fully completed and a use permit has not yet been approved at the county level. Another is an annual license status that means that CEQA has been completed and that a use permit has been approved at the county level. Currently, if SB59 does not pass, provisional licenses will no longer be available as of January 1, 2022. With many of our cultivators running under a provisional due to our backlog in getting use permits approved, this is a crucial bill to help ensure continuity of the industry here in Lake County and also continuity of cannabis tax revenues.

If not budgeted, fill in the blanks below only: Estimated Cost: Amount Budgeted: Additional Requested: Future Annual Cost:					
Consistency with Vision 2028 and/or Fiscal Crisis Management Plan (check all that apply):					
☐ Well-being of Residents☑ Economic Development☐ Community Collaboration	☐ Public Safety☐ Disaster Recovery☐ Business Process Efficiency	☐ Infrastructure☐ County Workforce☐ Clear Lake	☐ Technology Upgrades☑ Revenue Generation☐ Cost Savings		
If request for exemption from competitive bid in accordance with County Code Chapter 2 Sec. 2-38, fill in blanks below:					
Which exemption is being requested? How long has Agreement been in place? When was purchase last rebid? Reason for request to waive bid?					

Recommended Action: Approve letter supporting SB59.